

## AGRICULTURAL HINTS

## FARMERS AND WHEELMEN.

**Why They Should Work Together in the Good Roads Crusade.**

Otto Dörner, of Milwaukee, Wis., chairman of the good roads bureau of the League of American Wheelmen, recently delivered an excellent good roads address before the Chautauqua assembly at Dixon, Ill. His remarks related especially to the attitude of the league towards the farmers, and its essential features, embodied in the following article, cannot fail to be of general interest:

Now the great question before us is, said Mr. Dörner, how shall we obtain better country highways. The question is not, do we need good roads, but how shall we get them? Road building in the United States has been left entirely in the hands of the farmers and in charge of the local town authorities. These local authorities as a rule have no knowledge of the science of road building, and 50 years of experience has shown a great deal of labor wasted and vast amounts of road taxes collected in vain.

In many places our roads to-day are no better than they were 20 and 30 years ago. A radical improvement in the system itself must be made.

The League of American Wheelmen has been the subject of much criticism on account of its agitation for better highways. We have been accused of selfishness in the matter.

It is believed by many that we wheelmen expect farmers to load themselves up with taxes that they might build roads for the convenience of bicycle riders. No greater mistake could be

also being advocated by the leading representative farmers of the United States as the proper solution of this great road-building question. The farmers' national congress has passed resolutions in favor of state aid, and Mr. John M. Stahl, the able and energetic secretary of that organization, is one of its warmest advocates. He has written extensively upon the subject, and has assisted us in our work for state aid before the legislatures. In New York state, in Connecticut, in Pennsylvania and in Wisconsin, the League of American Wheelmen and the farmers' organizations have worked hand in hand for state aid. This is the strongest endorsement which could be given to the efforts of the League of American Wheelmen, and shows that they are aimed in the right direction.

All classes alike are beginning to realize the great economic importance of permanent highways. Farmers feel that they have too long been compelled to build and improve country roads at their own expense, and they are entitled to state support in this great necessary public improvement. Upon these lines, and upon these lines alone, the good roads improvement is bound to succeed, and will succeed, and upon these lines the League of American Wheelmen proposes to keep up its agitation, with the help of the farmers of the United States, until our common roads, neglected until now, the stepchildren, as it were, of a great republic, shall have received at the hands of our legislatures some of that tender care and nursing which has been extended in the past to canals, to steamship lines and to railroads, many of which have grown up almost entirely at public expense.

## FEEDING DAIRY COWS.

**Conditions That Will Maintain a Full Flow of Milk.**

One of the important items in making dairying pay the best profits is to supply such conditions as will best maintain a full flow of milk. It is not the cow that gives the most milk for a short season after calving and while the pasture is at the best, that gives the most profit, but the cow that gives a good even flow the greater part of the year. While there is much in habit there is more in feed and management. A cow that has been neglected, especially as regards her feeding, during the middle or latter part of summer, usually commences failing in the quantity of milk she will give until in six or seven months after calving she goes dry.

Experience in the management of cows has proved that it is much easier to maintain a good flow of milk by commencing to feed in good season than to allow the milk flow to begin to fail and then attempt to bring her back to a full flow again. Hence it is always best to keep a watch on the pastures, and whenever they begin to fail to commence feeding. Some dairymen feed the cows a little milk feed night and morning even when pastureage is at its best.

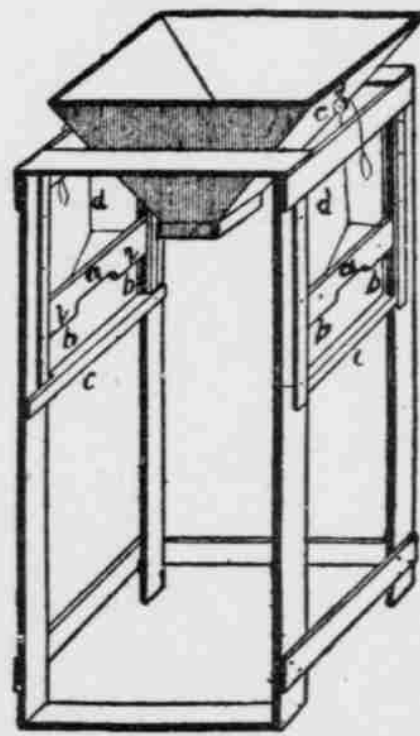
But on most farms all through the growing season green feed is much the cheapest. The second growth of clover, millet, sowed sorghum or fodder can be cut off and fed as needed, and if care is taken to feed liberally the flow of milk can be maintained. More than with any other kind of stock good feeding is necessary with the milk cows. It is only from the surplus food over and above what is needed for the support of animal life that the milk is made and liberal feeding is necessary if a full flow is maintained. With care in good season the habit of milk-giving during the greater part of the year can be established, and this is always a valuable trait in the dairy cow.

The best time to commence to establish the habit of long milk-giving is when the heifer is first giving milk, but if regulated at that time and the young cow is allowed to go dry early now is a good time to begin. Feed well and milk regularly. With care and persistence this defect in the early training may be overcome. But be sure she has plenty to eat all through the season.—St. Louis Republic.

## LABOR-SAVING DEVICE.

**With It the Filling of Bags is Made Comparatively Easy.**

Bags at the threshing mill are often filled from half-bushel measures or boxes. The plan as illustrated herewith shows a much easier method as the grain can be more easily shoveled into a



THE THRESHER'S FRIEND.

funnel through which it will drop into the sack. The framework should be strong and durable; a a slide boards to which are attached two hooks, b b; they can drop down to the cross bars, c c. When they are down, the empty bag is attached to the hooks and both slide boards are pulled up by strings, d d, which pass through a locking pulley, e. When the slide boards with the empty bag attached are pulled up to the top, the pulley is locked, and the bag, whose mouth surrounds the mouth of the spout, is filled.—J. A. Filion, in Farm and Home.

To keep flies off stock mix one gallon of fish oil and one ounce of crude carbolic acid and apply with sponge. One who uses it says it works perfectly.

## CURED OF LYNCHING.

**How a Texan Had His Feelings Changed About Hanging Men.**

"No," said the Texan, "I ain't had a hand in a hangin' fer a long time an' ef the Lord forgives me fer what I have had to do with them I won't do it again."

"You see it was this way: Long about five years ago, come next August, and it was hotter'n Phil Sheridan in Texas that year, me and four or five of the boys come across a peaked-lookin' feller one day with a hoss that we knowed didn't belong to him. We stopped him very polite and ast him where he got it, and he said he was a stranger there and had nothin' but a wagon about seven mile back and off the road, with a dead hoss hitched to it and a sick little gal in it likely to die, and he was out seein' ef he couldn't find a doctor or a woman or somebody to do somethin', fer the little gal was all he had on earth and he couldn't stand to have her die like that. He told us he had picked up the hoss we found him ridin' because he was not able to walk fast enough, and wouldn't we fer God's sake tell him where he could find somebody to see the little gal, and then ef we wanted to squar him up with Texas fer takin' the hoss, he wouldn't have a word to say."

"Well, we had heard that kind of a story many a time, and the first one that had been spread out before us saved the man's life and lost us a hoss and a subscription fer the sufferers that we took up, and we had been learned a lesson. So when this chap gave us a racket like that we give him seven minutes fer pra'r and swung him up."

"That was the end of it fer the present, but about a month after that me and one of the boys happened to be ridin' along the road where that feller told us about his little gal, and we seen something that I reckon I won't forget ef I live to be 1,000 years old. There was only a ramshackle old wagon with a skeleton of a horse in the shafts, and layin' on some old rags in the wagon was the little bones of a child, all picked clean and white by the buzzards, just like the hoss was."

"I kinder choked up when I seen that, and my pardner done the same, and while I was standin' there thinkin' he reached down under the side of the wagon bed and picked up a slip of paper pinned to the wood. It was wrote on with a lead pencil, and was mighty near faded out, but what was left was this—taking from his pocket very carefully a silver box, from which he took a small and crumpled sheet of paper bearing upon it the line, in a child's hand: 'Dere pa I cant wate no longer for you to cum because I—' That was all there was to it," he concluded, "and then me and my pardner looked at each other and never said a word. There was a big funeral for the little gal and her pa and the pore old hoss that died in the harness, but it'll take a good day more'n any funeral to set me straight with myself and put my feelin's like they was before I found them bones and this little scrap of writin'." And I don't feel the same about swingin' a man up fer stealin' a hoss, neither.—Washington Star.

## DOG ACTORS.

**Heroic and Important Actions in the Play Performed by Canines.**

A stirring melodrama, in which all the heroic and important actions were performed by dogs, was played in Glasgow, Scotland, recently. The manager is an American. His production is called "Signal Lights."

The dog Towser, after the murder of an old squire by the villain, changes the knives lying beside the body, thereby saving the hero from a charge of murder; the dog Leo prevents the hero from the would-be assassin's pocket; the St. Bernard Bruno rescues the heroine from drowning; and a tramp who comes to the villain's assistance is tackled by the bulldog Ned.

But this is not all. Act IV., which presents the "great railroad sensation," is thus described on the playbill:

"The girl, Romp, is fastened with strong ropes to the railway line—the train is fast approaching—the villain changes the signal from 'danger' to 'all right'—the signalman has been chloroformed in the hut, but his faithful dog, 'Duke,' rushes in and tears the chloroformed handkerchief from the face of his prostrate master—the dog 'Towser' rushes in and changes the signal to 'danger'—the dog, 'Prince,' also enters and unties the rope which binds his mistress to the line, and drags her from the track as the train comes steaming on, and stops through the changing of 'The Signal Lights.'"

In the last act the dog Hero steals an important will from the desk of the villain and hides it in a box, thereby preventing the estate of Romp Henderson falling into the hands of her persecutors."—N. Y. Journal.

## Queer Happenings.

While one man may fall from the roof of a house and escape unhurt, another will receive a fatal injury from merely stubbing his toe. Frank Pommer, a wealthy New Yorker, lost his life because some one stepped on his foot, blood poisoning following the bruise. Dennis Cummings fell 11 stories down an elevator shaft and was uninjured. Mrs. Margaret Ryan, of Philadelphia, fell out of bed, broke her hip, and died of the injury. Last summer in Camden a man was drowned in water that was hardly knee deep, having fallen from an attack of vertigo. Another man remained afloat in mid-ocean half a day and was rescued. Nobody can explain why things happen as they do. They simply happen, that's all.—Philadelphia Press.

## The Baby's Present.

At Ribeauville, in France, the captain of the local fire brigade recently became a happy father. With one accord the brave firemen sacrificed the hirsute adornments which were their glory, to fill a velvet cushion, and this unique gift was duly placed in the baby's cradle, with a diploma of honorary membership of the corps.—Cincinnati Enquirer

## DASHED THROUGH THE LINES.

**Heroic Act of a Colorado Citizen Saved the Kansas Free-Soiler.**

There were thrilling deeds, daring adventures, splendid heroism and brutal treachery in Kansas. Once the free-soilers were beleaguered at Lawrence by an overwhelming force of marauders from across the river, with battle, murder and sudden death in their eyes. A few miles away a force of United States troops lay encamped, but the Missourians had drawn their lines so tightly that it was as much as a free-soiler's life was worth to try to reach them. Was there a man in Lawrence brave enough to take the risk? The besiegers rarely threw away a cartridge; their aim was sure, their fingers quick on the trigger. Yet, as night fell, and people thought of what the morning might bring, a Vermont boy said he would take his chances. The swiftest and strongest horse in the place was saddled; the boy gripped him with his knees, and, commending his old father to his friends if he fell, dashed out into the dark. Lawrence listened to the clatter of his horse's hoofs, to the steady gallop into which the animal's pace settled down, to the crack of an outpost rifle, followed by a volley aimed not at the rider, for they could not see him, but at the sound of the furious rush; and then the firing died out, and Lawrence knew from the faint reverberation of the distant hoof beats that the daring rider had got through the lines, and the city was saved.

The young man's name was H. A. W. Tabor, and he lived to be United States senator from Colorado for a brief term. Many years ago he told me the story in confidence. I think I am justified in breaking faith, now that the old man is a broken, houseless bankrupt, who at this time sorely needs a friend.—Leslie's Weekly.

## An Unfaltering Egotist.

The actor whose confidence in himself wavers for an instant is lost. A member of the histrionic profession who had tried a new character was conversing with an acquaintance about the manner in which he had performed. It wasn't so much that he cared for anybody else's opinion, but he liked the topic.

"I was a little bit frightened at first," he said, confidently, "but I soon got over it. It didn't take me long to feel sure of my ground. And when I got to going I was perfectly easy."

"Yes," replied the friend, "I didn't observe any signs of nervousness."

"You saw the performance, did you?"

"Yes."

"Of course you liked it."

"Well, in a certain way. Sometimes you were very good. And, to be candid with you, at other times you were very bad. I hope I haven't hurt your feelings."

"Hurt my feelings? Not a bit of it. I wouldn't have been good all the time for anything. If there is any quality upon which I pride myself more than on all others, it is versatility."—Detroit Free Press.

## Sweet Pickled Crabapples.

Take the largest crabapples you can get, pick over carefully, wash clean and wipe or drain them dry. Take one gallon of good cider vinegar, two quart bowls of brown sugar, two teaspoonfuls of cinnamon, two of ground allspice, two of ginger and two of whole cloves. Boil all together, then drop a couple of quarts of crabapples into the kettle; boil until barely tender, and skim into a jar; repeat until the vinegar sirup is nearly used, then pour the remainder over the fruit and, if it is not covered, make a little more sirup and pour, while boiling, over the fruit and seal.—Housekeeper.

## Emperor a Patron of Duelling.

Thanks to the encouragement which Emperor William has accorded to the practice of duelling, it is now being adopted by the medical profession in Germany. A couple of physicians summoned in consultation became involved at the bedside of a patient in so vehement a dispute with regard to the character of the malady and of its treatment that they concluded to fight the matter out. The conflict took place on the outskirts of Bonn, on the Rhine, one of the combatants, Dr. Fischer, receiving a bullet in the chest, which killed him instantly.

## THE MARKETS.

CINCINNATI, AUG. 23.	
LIVE STOCK—Cattle, common	2 25 @ 3 25
Select butchers' good light	4 00 @ 4 40
CALVES—Fair to good light	5 25 @ 6 00
HOGS—Common	3 40 @ 3 80
Mixed packers	4 00 @ 4 10
Light shippers	4 10 @ 4 17 1/2
SHEEP—Choice	2 75 @ 3 25
LAMBS—Good to choice	4 85 @ 5 00
FOOT—Winter family	3 00 @ 3 75
GRAIN—Wheat—No. 2 red	1 00 @ 1 05
No. 3 red	95 @ 1 00
Corn—No. 2 mixed	60 @ 65
Oats—No. 2	35 @ 40
Rye—No. 2	50 @ 55
HAY—Prime to choice	9 50 @ 10 00
PROVISIONS—Mess pork	10 @ 11
Lard—Prime steam	4 @ 4 62 1/2
BUTTER—Choice dairy	10 @ 10
Prime to choice creamery	18 1/2 @ 18 5/8
APPLES—Per bbl.	1 50 @ 2 00
POTATOES—Per bbl.	1 85 @ 2 00
NEW YORK.	
FLOUR—Winter patent	5 50 @ 6 00
No. 2 red	6 @ 1 05 1/2
CORN—No. 2 mixed	6 @ 26 1/2
RYE	1 04 @ 1 07
OATS—Mixed	35 1/2 @ 35 3/4
PORK—New Mess.	9 25 @ 9 50
LARD—Western	6 @ 5 05
CHICAGO.	
FLOUR—Winter patent	4 80 @ 5 00
GRAIN—Wheat—No. 2 red	1 00 1/2 @ 1 02 1/2
No. 2 Chicago spring	99 1/2 @ 1 04
CORN—No. 2	31 1/2 @ 31 3/4
OATS—No. 2	29 1/2 @ 30
PORK—Mess	8 70 @ 8 75
LARD—Steam	4 @ 4 50
BALTIMORE.	
FLOUR—Family	4 75 @ 5 00
GRAIN—Wheat—No. 2	1 06 1/2 @ 1 06 1/2
Southern—Wheat	1 04 @ 1 07
Corn—Mixed	35 1/2 @ 35 3/4
Oats—No. 2	29 1/2 @ 30
Rye—No. 2 western	51 @ 51
CATTLE—First quality	4 10 @ 4 35
HOGS—Western	4 05 @ 4 10
INDIANAPOLIS.	
GRAIN—Wheat—No. 2	91 @ 91
Corn—No. 2 mixed	27 1/2 @ 27 3/4
Oats—No. 2 mixed	17 1/2 @ 17 3/4
LOUISVILLE.	
FLOUR—Winter patent	3 75 @ 4 00
GRAIN—Wheat—No. 2 red	99 @ 1 00
Corn—No. 2	29 @ 30
Oats—Mixed	29 @ 30 1/2
PORK—Mess	9 @ 9 00
LARD—Steam	4 @ 37 1/2

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